tract or tracts to be described by metes and bounds survey which shall be completed by the Secretary of the Interior within six months after the effective date of this Act, excepting and reserving, however, unto the United States an easement of access through and across the tract or tracts, together with the right at such time or times and at such place or places on the tract or tracts as is deemed necessary or desirable by the United States, at its own expense, to construct and maintain means of access or game crossings in, across and through the tract or tracts, in addition to those constructed by and at the expense of American Metal Climax, Incorporated, at the time said railroad is constructed: Provided, That the construction, maintenance and use of said additional means of access or game crossings shall not obstruct, interfere with or otherwise hinder, impede or delay the operation of the mine, mill, railroad, or related facilities belonging to American Metal Climax, Incorporated, its successors and assigns. Title to the tract or tracts patented pursuant to this subparagraph of this section shall, however, be conveyed to and held by American Metal Climax, Incorporated, its successors and assigns, subject to the following condition: Whenever said company, its successors and assigns, shall no longer require the use and possession of the said consolidated tract, the then owner thereof shall tender to the United States its deed conveying said consolidated tract to the United States in such form and under such conditions as may then be prescribed by the United States. The then owner shall be deemed to no longer require the use and possession of the said consolidated tract only (A) when the fixtures, structures, and improvements constructed or maintained thereon have been removed, without being replaced, within a period of five years from the time of such removal, with fixtures, structures, and improvements constructed for uses substantially similar to or associated with the uses to which the fixtures, structures, and improvements so removed were put, or (B) when the use and possession of said consolidated tract shall have been permanently abandoned.

Sec. 2. The value of the tracts hereby directed to be patented to American Metal Climax, Incorporated, shall be determined by the Secretary of Agriculture and shall not exceed the value of the lands to be accepted by the United States in exchange therefor as determined by the Secretary of Agriculture. The patent issued for lands granted pursuant to this Act shall express the conditions and contain the reservations provided for in section 1 of this Act with respect to the separate titles thereby granted.

Approved July 5, 1968.

Private Law 90-292

July 11, 1968 [S. 102]

AN ACT

To authorize the Secretary of the Interior to consider a petition for reinstatement of an oil and gas lease (Wyoming 0310090).

Oil and gas lease (Wyo. 0310090). Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Interior shall receive, consider, and act upon any petition of Paul T. Walton, Thomas F. Kearns, and Jerome B. Guinand filed within one hundred and eighty days after the date of enactment of this Act, for reinstatement of United States oil and gas lease (Wyoming 0310090), and accompanied by the required rental, including

back rental, accruing from the date of termination, and may reinstate such lease in accordance with the provisions of section 31(c) of the Mineral Leasing Act of 1920, as amended (30 U.S.C. 188(c)): Provided, That it is shown to the satisfaction of the Secretary that the failure to pay timely was either justifiable or not due to lack of reasonable diligence.

Approved July 11, 1968.

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Private Law 90-293

AN ACT

July 11, 1968 [S. 443]

To authorize the Secretary of the Interior to consider a petition for reinstatement of an oil and gas lease (Wyoming 0280122).

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Interior shall receive, consider, and act upon any petition of 0280122). Mountain Fuel Supply Company, a Utah corporation, filed within one hundred and eighty days after the date of enactment of this Act, for reinstatement of United States oil and gas lease (Wyoming 0280122), and accompanied by the required rental, including back rental, accruing from the date of termination, and may reinstate such lease in accordance with the provisons of section 31(c) of the Mineral Leasing Act of 1920, as amended (30 U.S.C. 188(c)): Provided. That it is shown to the satisfaction of the Secretary that the failure to pay timely was either justifiable or not due to lack of reasonable diligence.

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Oil and gas

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Private Law 90-294

AN ACT

July 11, 1968 [S. 823]

To authorize the Secretary of the Interior to reinstate oil and gas lease Las Cruces 063610.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary Oil and gas of the Interior shall receive, consider, and act upon a petition of 063610). Elwyn C. Hale, lessee of the terminated oil and gas lease (Las Cruces 063610), for reinstatement of said lease if filed within one hundred and eighty days after the effective date of this Act, together with the required rental, including back rental, accruing from the date of termination of the lease. The Secretary may reinstate said lease in accordance with the provisions of section 31(c) of the Mineral Leasing Act of 1920, as amended (30 U.S.C. 188 (c)): Provided, That it is shown to the satisfaction of the Secretary that the failure to pay timely was either justifiable or not due to lack of reasonable diligence. If the Secretary grants a reinstatement of the terminated lease and finds that such reinstatement will not afford the lessee a reasonable opportunity to continue operations under the lease, he may extend the term of the lease for a period not to exceed two years from the date the Secretary grants the petition.

Approved July 11, 1968.

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